WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Production of Petroleum Products

*403. SHRI RAMENDRA KUMAR YADAV 'RAVI' : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be please to state :

(a) whether fact that the production of petroleum products has gone down;

(b) if so, the steps taken to accelerate the pace of exploration so as to increase domestic oil resources;

(c) whether Government have worked out any package of incentives to attract private sector and multinationals to boost domestic oil production; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) While the production of crude oil has fallen, the production of petroleum products has increased.

(b) to (d) Government has worked out an attractive package of terms and conditions for encouraging risk capital investment in exploration and subsequent production. Discovered oil and gas fields have also been offered for development by private companies under point venture arrangements for medium sized fields and under production sharing contract for small sized fields.

Leprosy patients in Madhya Pradesh

*405. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the approximate number of Leprosy patients in Madhya Pradesh at present;

(b) whether any steps have been taken to cure those Leprosy patients;

(c) if so, the number of Leprosy patients cured and rehabilitated during the last three years;

(d) in what manner they have been rehabilitated; and

(e) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) 136290 as on 1st March, 1993.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The number of leprosy patients cured and rehabilitated during the last three years upto 1-3-1993 are 110806 and 7959 respectively.

(d) and (e) Rehabilitation services are provided in the form of treatment of chronic ulcers, management of disabilities including reconstructive surgery and social rehabilitation to integrate them in the society and to enable them to lead a normal healthy life.

Proposal for setting up LPG Gas Board in Gujarat

*407. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE :

SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

whether Government of Gujarat made any proposal to set up an LPG Gas Board in Gujarat;

(b) what is the time duration for setting up of LPG Gas Board in Gujarat where it will establish its regional office;

(c) what is the number of applications for LPG connections pending in Gujarat District-wise with LPG Agencies till 31st January, 1993;

(d) what are the targets set for release of new LPG connections in Gujarat, District-wise till March, 1993; and

(e) what are the other steps taken by Government to release LPG connections other than VIP or MPs quota ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH